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SUBJ: TOW LETTER OF OFFER FOR LEBANON

1. WE ARE ANXIOUSLY AWAITING LETTER OF OFFER FOR TOW'S PROMISED IN DECEMBER, JANUARY 18, AND THEN FEBRUARY 7. LEBANESE ARMY PROCUREMENT OFFICERS HAVE EXPRESSED CONCERN AT THE DELAY AND AT SEEMINGLY BEING PUT OFF. THIS BECOMING MORE CRITICAL TO PRESTIGE OF LEBANESE ARMY AND MORE EMBARRASSING TO US IN VIEW WASHINGTON PRESS REPORTS OF DELIVERY TOW MISSILES TO JORDAN, FOLLOWED BY LOCAL PRESS COVERAGE OF TOW FIRINGS IN JORDAN. WOULD APPRECIATE FIRM DATE L/O CAN BE HANDED TO LEB ARMY.

2. POPULARITY OF TOW NOT LIMITED TO THIS COUNTRY. SECOND-HAND INFO TO DATT HAS IT THAT SYRIAN MINDEF TALAS ASKED CHAIRMAN OF LEB PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE, FUAD LAHUD, TO OBTAIN 200 TOW'S FOR SYRIA.
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